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Whitehall, June 20.

HIS Majesty was pleased this day in Council, to order the following Proclamation to be forthwith Published.

CHARLES R.

WE *minding to secure all Our loving Subjects in Travelling and going about their Lawful Occasions, do hereby Publish and Declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure to be; And We do hereby Command all Our Officers of Justice, and other Our loving Subjects, That they use their utmost diligence and endeavour for the Apprehending all Robbers or Highway-men, to the end they may be proceeded against according to Law. And for the encouragement of such as shall Apprehend any such Offender or Offenders, We are Graciously pleased, and do hereby Declare, That such person or persons, who shall at any time before the First day of* February *next, Apprehend any Robber or Highway man, and cause him to be brought into Custody, shall within Fifteen dayes after his Conviction, have a Reward of Ten pounds for every such Offender so Apprehended and Convicted: And all and every Sheriffs and Sheriff of the respective Counties and Sheriffwicks where such Conviction shall be had, are, and is hereby required, upon the Certificate of the Judge, or of Two or more Justices of the Peace, before whom such person or persons shall be Convicted, of such Apprehension and Conviction, to pay unto the person or persons who shall Apprehend such Offender or Offenders, the Reward aforesaid, within the time aforesaid, for each and every Offender so Apprehended and Convicted as aforesaid, out of Our Moneys received by such Sheriff or Sheriffs in that County where such Conviction shall be, which shall be allowed unto him or them upon his or their Account in the Exchequer; For the Allowance whereof, this Proclamation shall be a sufficient Warrant. And lastly, We do hereby Charge and Command all Lieutenants, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, and other Officers and Persons whatsoever to take notice of this Our Royal Proclamation, and give due Obedience thereunto, and also to be Aiding and Assisting in all things tending to the Execution thereof, as they tender Our Pleasure, and upon pain of being proceeded against as Contemners of Our Royal Authority.*

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall* the 20th day of *June* 1677, in the Nine and twentieth year of Our Reign.

Vienna, June 17. The last Letters we received from *Hungary*, give us an account that the Rebels assemble in great Bodies, and that they are of late become so considerable, as to talk of choosing them a King, which will oblige the Emperor to reinforce his Troops in those parts, the command of which is given to General *Smitt*. On Monday last Prince *Herman* of *Baden* parted hence for *Egra* in *Bohemia*, from whence he will continue his journey to the Imperial Army at present in *Lorrain*. General *Strassoldo* is to command the Troops which the Emperor sends to the Elector of *Brandenburgh*.

Copenhagen, June 22. The King of *Denmark* has actually besieged *Malmoe*, the Trenches being opened two dayes since, though the *Suedes* seem as if they would disturb him in it, being advanced again 3 or 4 Leagues towards our Camp; and according to our last advice were posted between *Landscroon* and *Mollerad*; what was said of the *Suedish* Fleets being at Sea, is contradicted by the Vessels that came in here these two dayes from the *Baltick*. The Squadron which was engaged with the *Suedes* in the *Belt*, is come back into the *Soundt*. The *Suedish* Admiral *Zeebladt* is brought Prisoner hither, with several other Officers. Passengers just now arrived here from *Landscroon*, report, that the 20 instant at night the Trenches were opened in three places against the Castle of *Malmoe*, and that the Besiegers had advanced that night very considerably.

Hamburgh, June 25. At *Altena*, about a quarter of a League from this City, a great quantity of Bread is baking, and some hundred Barrels of Beer brewing for the use of the Troops which the Landgrave of *Hesse* sends to the assistance of the King of *Denmark*. At *Lubeck* are arrived two Vessels in three dayes from *Sueden*, when they came from thence the *Suedish* Fleet was not yet abroad. We have advice that at *Travermunde* Vessels are preparing for the Transporting five Imperial Regiments to *Schonen*. The Duke of *Hanouer* is come hither *incognito*, to confer, as is believed, with the Duke of *Holstein*.

Strasburgh, June 21. Our Magistrates, out of their desire to preserve their Neutrality, have not been wanting to use all their endeavors to keep the Duke of *Saxen-Eysenach* from making use of our Bridge in his passage over the *Rhine*; but finding the same fruitless, they have been at length forced to consent thereunto, and on Friday last the said Duke passed over our Bridge with the Army under his command, which consisted in 10 or 12000 men, and marched directly towards *Benfeldt*, from whence the Sieur *de Monclar* was retired the day before towards *Schlestadt*. Our Letters from *Metz* tell us, That the *Imperial* and *French* Armies had not yet come to a Battel, though on the 15 and 16 instant they were so near each other, as very much to incommode one another with their Cannon, and several Skirmishes past between Parties; and it's said that above 1000 men were killed on both sides.

Cologne, June 25. Yesterday the Bishop of *Osnabrug* arrived at *Duseldorp*, his Infantry is appointed to Rendezvous at *Sons*, whither their General the Sieur *de Louvigny* is gone from hence with the Artillery. The Cavalry assembles in the Plains near *Wevelinckhoven*. From *Francfort* of the 23 they write, That the *Lunenburg* Troops which have had their quarters in *Westeravia*, are finally dislodged, and on their march towards the *Rhine*; and it being said, that they intend to take their passage through the Countrey of *Bergs*, the Duke of *Neuburg* has given Orders for the assembling 4000

Boors,